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MEMORANDUM

SUBMITTED BY

The Citizens of Talavadi Firka

Gobichettipalayam Taluk, Coimbatore District, Madras State.

To

The Hon'ble Chief Minister

Sri K. Kamaraja Nadar,

MADRAS.

Respected Sir,

This is a red-letter day in the history of our Talavadi Firka; we are indeed highly fortunate in having our distinguished Sri K. Kamaraja Nadar, Chief Minister of Madras in our midst. Sri K. Kamaraja Nadar, as we are all aware, has done great service all along his life-time to our Mother country especially to Tamil Nad. It is a matter of pride to our country in having his able guidance in steering the country's betterment. He has sacrificed much in serving his fellow-countrymen. We deem it a privilege to welcome Sri K. Kamaraja Nadar in our midst to-day and present our Memorandum.

You, Sir, have not been a stranger to us. Therefore, we represent our grievances to your kind and sympathetic consideration the following facts through this memorandum.

Well Sir, we are quite aware that about 60 villages of Talavadi Firka are closed to Mysore State. We have already represented our heart-felt desire to the Government in this direction namely as we are all Kannadigas it is natural that our Firka should be merged with Mysore State. Our genuine request regarding merging of our Talavadi Firka with that of Mysore State is not merely on linguistic but as already our Kollegal is merged with Mysore and as all our transactions in social, commercial, economical and cultural are with that of Kollegal and as Kollegal is already merged with Mysore we request that our Firka should also be allowed to be merged with Greater Mysore. This Firka has every kind of affinity and attachment to the State of Mysore and Kollegal Taluk which was rightly transferred from Madras to Mysore State under the States Reorganisation. In fact this area formed a part of Kollegal Revenue Taluk during 1910 to 1914. Till the States Reorganisation, viz 1—11—1956, this Firka was attached to Kollegal Taluk in civil, criminal and police matters. This area till as late as 1950 was under the jurisdiction of Kollegal Range Inspector in educational matters. The postal facilities herein comes under Mysore Postal Division. It may be interesting to notice here that this firka under the last delimitation proposals had been tacked on to Kollegal Taluk to form a single constituency for the Legislative Assembly after a very careful consideration of all aspects of the question mainly its lack of accessibility from the rest of the taluk, from which it had to be detached as a consequence.

We trust your goodself is aware that very recently Tamil Primary classes have been opened in place of Kannada at Talamali and Hasanur where more than 95% are Kannadigas. This evidently shows that we are forced to adopt ourselves to a custom which is not ours. This being a Democretic Country it is hardly necessary to stress herein that the will of the people is put aside. We bring this to your kind notice so that you will be able to gauge the exact situation of this part of Mysore Boarder.

We now unanimously request you as a True son of India to know our heart felt desire "That our Firka **Talavadi**" should be merged with the Mysore. For which act of benevolence we ever remain grateful to you, Sir.

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Talavadi.

Citizens of Talavadi Firka.

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